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MEMORANDUM

DATE: *January 30, 2019*

TO: *Board of County Commissioners*

FROM: *Bill Taylor, Procurement Manager, CPO*

VIA: *Katherine Miller, County Manager*
Erika D. Lovato, Budget Administrator
Michael Kelley, Public Works Director

ITEM AND ISSUE: BCC Meeting February 12, 2019

Approval of Construction Contract No. 2019-0100-PW/MAM Between Santa Fe County and Cornerstone Contractors, LLC in the Amount of \$336,056.01, Exclusive of NM GRT, for the Bridge Replacement, County Road 72A; Granting Signature Authority to the County Manager to sign the Purchasing Order. (Bill Taylor, Purchasing Division)

SUMMARY:

Santa Fe County Purchasing Division on behalf of the Public Works Department issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. 2019-0100-PW/MAM. The deadline to submit Bids was on December 20, 2018. Two bids were received and reviewed. All Bids were determined to be responsive and responsible. Cornerstone Contractors, LLC was determined to be the lowest Bid. The Bids were received from the following Vendors:

Cornerstone Contractors, LLC. Albuquerque, NM 87105
Kimo Construction Inc., Bosque Farms, NM 87068

Pursuant to County Resolution 2014-143, any contracts with a value of \$250,000.00 or more require BCC approval.

BACKGROUND:

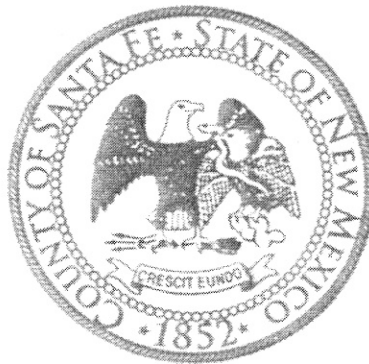
The Public Works Department is responsible for road maintenance and repairs on all County right of ways throughout the County. At the present time the current timber bridge located at County Road 72A (Big Tesuque Canyon Road) will be replaced with a pre-fabricated steel bridge that will be in compliance with the NMDOT standards. The construction consist of, but not limited to:

removal and replacement of the bridge, constructing new concrete abutments, minor paving and traffic control.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of construction contract No. 2019-0100-PW/MAM between Santa Fe County and Cornerstone Contractors, LLC in the amount of \$336,056.01 exclusive of NM GRT for the Bridge Replacement located at County Road 72A and authorizing the County Manager to sign the purchase order.

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA FE COUNTY AND CONTRACTOR
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**



**SANTA FE COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PURCHASING DIVISION
2014 EDITION**

[Changes, additions, deletions and/or any modifications other than those agreed upon by the parties upon execution of this contract, without the written consent of Santa Fe County shall render this document null and void.]

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RECITALS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 13-1-103 through 13-1-110 NMSA 1978, the County issued Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. 2019-0100-PW/MAM for construction services for County Road 72A Bridge Replacement (The Project); and

WHEREAS, the Contractor submitted its bid, dated December 20, 2018 in response to IFB No. 2019-0100-PW/MAM; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized to enter into a construction contract for the Project pursuant to Sections 13-1-100, NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a licensed contractor of the State of New Mexico pursuant to Chapter 60, Article 13, NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, the County agrees to hire the Contractor, and the Contractor agrees to provide construction services as required herein for the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County requires the services of the Contractor, and the Contractor is willing to provide these services and both parties wish to enter into this Agreement.

ARTICLE 1 THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

1.1 DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of the following:

- Agreement between County and Contractor
- General Conditions of the Construction Contract
- Conditions of the Work of the Construction Contract
- Bid Sheet

Attachment A

-Addenda and Modifications issued
before and after execution of this contract

Attachment B

New Mexico State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications
for Highway and Bridge Construction, 2014 edition.

1.2 CERTIFICATES AND DOCUMENTATION

The following certificates and documentation are hereby attached as exhibits as follows:

Technical Specifications as listed in Plan Set
Labor and Material Payment Bond
Performance Bond
Assignment of Antitrust Claims

Exhibit A

Exhibit B

Exhibit C

Exhibit D

Certificate of Insurance
Notice of Award
Notice to Proceed
Change Order
Certificate of Substantial Completion

Exhibit E
Exhibit F
Exhibit G
Exhibit H
Exhibit I

ARTICLE 2 THE WORK

2.1 THE WORK

The Contractor shall perform all the Work required by the Contract Documents for the following:

Construction services: Complete construction of an all-weather crossing on County Road 72A and Big Tesuque Canyon Road in Santa Fe County. The current timber bridge will be replaced with a pre-fabricated steel bridge that is in compliance with all applicable standards of the New Mexico State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Highway and Bridge Construction (2014 edition)). The construction consists of, removal and replacement of the bridge, construct new concrete abutments and complete, minor paving, and traffic control during construction.

Contractor shall supply all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the Work.

ARTICLE 3 EFFECTIVE DATE, TIME OF COMMENCEMENT, SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AND AMENDMENTS

3.1 EFFECTIVE DATE

The Effective Date of this Agreement is the date of last signature by the parties hereto.

3.2 TIME OF COMMENCEMENT

The Work to be performed under this Contract shall be commenced no later than 10 consecutive calendar days after the date of written Notice to Proceed issued by the County, (Exhibit G).

3.3 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

Contractor shall complete the Project and achieve Substantial Completion no later than 120 working days as specified in the Notice to Proceed, except as may be extended by valid written Change Order. A Certificate of Substantial Completion, (Exhibit I), will be issued by the County to the Contractor when it is certified that the Contractor has achieved Substantial Completion.

3.4 TIME FOR COMPLETION AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Completion in accordance with Paragraph 7 (Effective Date and Term) of the General Conditions.

- A. It is hereby understood and mutually agreed, by and between the Contractor and the County, that the date of beginning and the time for completion as specified in this contract are *essential conditions* of this contract and it is further mutually understood and agreed that the Work outlined in this contract shall be commenced on a date to be specified in the Notice to Proceed.
- B. The Contractor agrees that the Work shall be prosecuted regularly, diligently and uninterruptedly at such rate of progress as will insure full completion thereof within the time specified. It is expressly understood and agreed, by and between the Contractor and the County, that the time for the completion of the Work described herein is a reasonable time for the completion of the same, taking into consideration the average climatic range and usual industrial conditions prevailing in this locality.
- C. If the Contractor shall neglect, fail or refuse to complete the Work within the time herein specified or any proper extension thereof granted by the County, then the Contractor does hereby agree, as a part consideration for the awarding of this contract, to pay to the County the amount specified below, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages, for each working day that the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion of the Work. If the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion by 120 working days, liquidated damages in the amount of \$2,000.00 per day will be assessed until Substantial Completion is achieved and a certificate of Substantial Completion is issued.
- D. The amount is fixed and agreed upon by and between the Contractor and the County because of the impracticability and extreme difficulty of fixing and ascertaining the actual damages the County would in such event sustain, and the amount is agreed to be the amount of damages which the County would sustain and the amount shall be retained from time to time by the County from current periodical estimates.
- E. It is agreed that time is of the essence of each and every portion of this contract and of the specifications wherein a definite and certain length of time is fixed for the performance of any act whatsoever and where under the contract an additional time is allowed for the completion of any work, the new time limit fixed by such extension shall be of the essence of this contract. Provided that the Contractor shall not be charged with liquidated damages or any excess cost when the County determines that the Contractor is without fault and the Contractor's reasons for the time extension are acceptable to the County. Provided that the Contractor shall not be charged with liquidated damages or any excess cost when the delay in completion of the work is due:
 1. To any preference, priority or allocation order duly issued by the County;
 2. To unforeseeable cause beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, including but not restricted to, acts of God, or of the public enemy, acts of the County, acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the County, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and severe weather;

3. To any delays of subcontractors or suppliers occasioned by any of the causes specified in subsections above.

F. Provided further, that the Contractor shall, within 10 days from the beginning of such delay, unless the County shall grant a further period of time prior to the date of final settlement of the contract, notify the County in writing of the causes of the delay, who shall ascertain the facts and extent of the delay and notify the Contractor within a reasonable time of its decision in the matter.

3.5 AMENDMENTS

This Agreement may be amended by mutual agreement by both parties upon issuance of a Change Order by the County to the Contractor. Any such amendment shall be in accordance with Paragraph 10 (Amendments – Change Orders) of the General Conditions. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, an amendment shall not affect any outstanding Purchase Order(s) issued by the County prior to the effective date of the amendment.

ARTICLE 4 CONTRACT SUM

4.1 CONTRACT SUM

The County shall pay the Contractor in current funds for the performance of the Work, subject to additions and deductions by Change Order as provided in the Contract Documents, an agreed upon sum of \$336,056.01 exclusive of New Mexico gross receipts tax.

4.2 CONTRACT AMOUNT

The Contract sum is determined as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 336,056.01
Total Contract Amount	\$ 336,056.01, exclusive of NM grt

ARTICLE 5 PROGRESS PAYMENTS

5.1 PROGRESS PAYMENTS

Based upon an Application for Payment submitted to the County by the Contractor and Certificates for Payment issued by the County, the County shall make progress payments on account of the Contract sum to the Contractor as provided in the Contract documents for the period ending the last day of the month as follows:

- A. No later than 21 working days following receipt by the County of an undisputed Application for Payment, 100% of the portion of the contract sum properly allocable to labor, materials, and equipment incorporated in the Work and 100% of the portion of the Contract Sum properly allocable to materials and equipment suitably stored at the site or some other location agreed upon in writing for the period covered by the Application for Payment, less the aggregate of previous payments made by the County; less such amounts as the Architect/ Engineer shall determine for all incomplete Work and unsettled claims as provided in the Contract Documents (Section 57-28-5, NMSA 1978).
- B. When making payments, the County, Contractor or subcontractor shall not retain, withhold, hold back or in any other manner not pay amounts owed for work performed. For additional information regarding retainage and the Prompt Payment Act (refer to Section 57-28-5, NMSA 1978).
- C. Contractors and subcontractors shall make prompt payment to their subcontractors and suppliers for amounts owed for work performed on the construction project within 21 days after receipt of payment from the County, contractor or subcontractor. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to pay its subcontractor and suppliers by first-class mail or hand delivery within 21 days after receipt of an undisputed request for payment, the Contractor or subcontractor shall pay interest to its subcontractors and suppliers beginning on the 22nd day after payment was due, computed at 1.5% of the undisputed amount per month or fraction of a month until payment is issued. These payment provisions apply to all tiers of contractors, subcontractors and suppliers (Section 57-28-1 et. seq. NMSA 1978).
- D. In preparing estimates the material delivered on the site and preparatory work done may be taken into consideration.
- E. All material and work covered by partial payments made shall thereupon become the sole property of the County, but this provision shall not be construed as relieving the Contractor from the sole responsibility for the care and protection of materials and work upon which payments have been made or the restoration of any damaged work, or as a waiver of the right of the County to require the fulfillment of all of the terms of the contract.
- F. County's right to withhold certain amounts and make application thereof. The Contractor agrees that it will indemnify and hold the County harmless from all claims growing out of the lawful demands of subcontractors, laborers, workmen, mechanics, material men, and furnisher of machinery and parts thereof, equipment, power tools, and all supplies, including commissary, incurred in the furtherance of the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall, at the County's request, furnish satisfactory evidence that all obligations of the nature hereinabove designated have been paid, discharged, or waived. If the Contractor fails so to do, then the County may, after having served written notice on the said Contractor, either pay unpaid bills, of which the County has written notice, direct, or withhold from the Contractor's unpaid

compensation a sum of money deemed reasonably sufficient to pay any and all such lawful claims until satisfactory evidence is furnished that all liabilities have been fully discharged whereupon payment to the Contractor shall be resumed, in accordance with the terms of this contract, but in no event shall the provisions of this sentence be construed to impose any obligations upon the County to either the Contractor or its Surety. In paying any unpaid bills of the Contractor, the County shall be deemed the agent of the Contractor, and any payment so made by the County shall be considered as a payment made under the contract by the County to the Contractor and the County shall not be liable to the Contractor for any such payments made in good faith.

ARTICLE 6 FINAL PAYMENT

6.1 FINAL PAYMENT

The entire unpaid balance of the contract sum, shall be paid by the County to the Contractor within 30 calendar days after notification of the County by the Architect/Engineer that all incomplete and unacceptable Work that was noted during the Substantial Completion Inspection and listed on the attachment to the Certificate of Substantial Completion has been corrected, and provided the Contract has been fully performed and a final Certificate for Payment has been issued by the Architect/Engineer. In addition, the Contractor shall provide to the County a certified statement of Release of Liens and Consent of Surety.

6.2 ACCEPTANCE OF FINAL PAYMENT CONTITUTES RELEASE

The acceptance by the Contractor of final payment shall be and shall operate as a release to the County of all claims and all liability to the Contractor for all things done or furnished in connection with the Work and for every act and neglect of the County and others relating to or arising out of the Work. No payment, however, final or otherwise, shall operate to release the Contractor or its sureties from any obligations under this contract or the Performance and Payment Bond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement as of the last date of signature by the parties.

SANTA FE COUNTY

Anna T. Hamilton, Chair
Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners

ATTESTATION:

Geraldine Salazar
Santa Fe County Clerk

Approved as to form:

R. Bruce Frederick
Santa Fe County Attorney

Date

Finance Department:

Finance Director

Date

CONTRACTOR:

Signature

Date

Print name and title

**GENERAL CONDITIONS
TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA FE COUNTY
AND CONTRACTOR
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

1.0 DEFINITIONS

The following terms as used in this contract are respectively defined as follows:

- 1.1 *Application for Payment*** Contractor's written request for payment for completed portions of the work and, for materials delivered or stored and properly labeled for the respective project.
- 1.2 *Change Order*** A written document between the County and the Contractor signed by the County and the Contractor authorizing a change in the work or an adjustment in the contract sum or the contract time. A change order may be signed by the Architect/Engineer, provided they have written authority from the County for such procedure and that a copy of such written authority is furnished to the Contractor upon request. The contract sum and the contract time may be changed only by change order. A change order may be in the form of additional compensation or time; or less compensation or time known as a Deduction (from the contract) the amount deducted from the contract sum by change order.
- 1.3 *Calendar Day*** Each and every Day shown on the calendar, beginning and ending at midnight.
- 1.4 *Contract Period*** The elapsed number of working days or calendar days from the specified date of commencing work to August 1, 2019.
- 1.5 *Contractor*** is a person, firm or corporation with whom the contract is entered into with the County.
- 1.6 *Construction Documents*** All drawings, specifications and addenda associated with a specific construction project.
- 1.7 *Construction Schedule*** A schedule in form satisfactory to the County, showing the proposed dates of commencement and completion of each of the various subdivisions of work required under the contract documents and the anticipated amount of each monthly payment that will become due the Contractor in accordance with the progress schedule.
- 1.8 *Day*** The word "day" means a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.
- 1.9 *Labor and Material Payment Bond*** A written form of security from a surety (bonding) company to the County, on behalf of an acceptable prime Contractor or subcontractor,

guaranteeing payment to the County in the event the Contractor fails to pay for all labor, materials, equipment, or services in accordance with the contract. (see Performance Bond and Surety Bond).

1.10 Lump Sum Agreement (See Stipulated Sum Agreement)

1.11 Lump Sum Bid A single entry amount to cover all labor, equipment, materials, services, and overhead and profit for completing the construction of a variety of unspecified items of work without the benefit of a cost breakdown.

1.12 Lump Sum Contract A written contract between the County and Contractor wherein the County agrees to pay the contractor a specified sum of money for completing a scope of work consisting of a variety of unspecified items or work.

1.13 Payment Bond A written form of security from a surety company to the County, on behalf of an acceptable prime contractor or subcontractor, guaranteeing payment to all persons providing labor, materials, equipment, or services in accordance with the contract.

1.14 Performance Bond A written form of security from a surety company to the County, on behalf of an acceptable prime contractor or subcontractor, guaranteeing the completion of the work in accordance with the terms of the contract.

1.15 Progress Payment A payment from the County to the Contractor determined by calculating the difference between the completed work and materials stored and a predetermined schedule of values or unit costs. (See Schedule of Values, Unit Costs).

1.16 Progress Schedule A pictorial or written schedule (including a graph or diagram) that shows proposed and actual start and completion dates of the various work elements.

1.17 Punch list a list of items to be completed or corrected, prepared by the Architect/Engineer, checked and augmented as required by the Contractor or Construction Manager is appended hereto as Exhibit J. Note: The failure to include any item on such list does not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility to complete all work in accordance with the contract documents.

1.18 Schedule of Values A statement furnished by the Contractor to the Architect or Engineer and the County reflecting the portions of the contract sum allotted for the various parts of the work and used as the basis for reviewing the Contractor's Applications for Payment.

1.19 Services Includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.

- 1.20 *Stipulated Sum Agreement*** A written agreement in which a specific amount is set forth as the total payment for completing the contract (See Lump Sum Contract).
- 1.21 *Subcontractor*** is a person, firm or corporation supplying labor and materials or only labor for work at the site of the project for, and under separate contract or agreement with, the Contractor.
- 1.22 *Unit Price Contract*** A written contract wherein the County agrees to pay the Contractor a specified amount of money for each unit of work successfully completed as set forth in the contract.
- 1.23 *Unit Prices*** A predetermined price for a measurement or quantity of work to be performed within a specific contract. The designated unit price would include all labor materials, equipment or services associated with the measurement or quantity established.
- 1.24 *Working Day*** means every day except Saturday, Sunday and holidays recognized by Santa Fe County. Based on a review of weather that may adversely affect the Contractor's ability to effectively prosecute the Work, and the actual Work performed by the Contractor, the Architect or Engineer will determine (between the end of the day and noon of the next day) if the County will charge a Working Day. If the Contractor was able to effectively prosecute Work on a critical path item for six (6) or more hours on a Saturday, Sunday or County-recognized Holiday, the Architect or Engineer may charge a Working Day.
- 1.25 *Work on (at) the project*** is work to be performed at the location of the project, including the transportation of materials and supplies to or from the location of the project by employees of the Contractor and any subcontractor.

2. CONTRACT AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

- 2.1 Entire Agreement.** This Agreement represents the entire contract between the parties and, except as otherwise provided herein, may not be amended, changed, modified, or altered without the written consent of the parties hereto. This Agreement incorporates all of the conditions, agreements, and understandings between the parties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement, and all such conditions, understandings, and agreements have been merged into this written Agreement. No prior condition, agreement, or understanding, verbal or otherwise, of the parties or their agents shall be valid or enforceable unless incorporated in this written Agreement.
- 2.2 Relationship of Contract Documents.** The Contract Documents are complementary, and any requirement of one Contract Document shall be as binding as if required by all.
- 2.3 Conflicting Conditions.** Any provisions in any of the Contract Documents which may be in conflict or inconsistent with any of the paragraphs in these General Conditions shall be void to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

3. PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ADDENDA

- 3.1** The plans, specifications and addenda, hereinafter enumerated in Article 1 of the Agreement between County and Contractor for Construction shall form part of this Contract and the provisions thereof shall be as binding upon the parties hereto as if they were herein fully set forth. The table of contents, titles, headings, running headlines and marginal notes contained herein and in said documents are solely to facilitate reference to various provisions of the Contract Documents and in no way affect or limit the interpretation of the provisions to which they refer.
- 3.2** Certificates and Documents Incorporated. All certificates and documentation required by the provisions of the Agreement shall be attached to this Agreement at the time of execution, and are hereby incorporated by reference as though set forth in full in this Agreement to the extent they are consistent with its conditions and terms.

4. CONTRACT SECURITY – BONDS

- 4.1** Performance Bond. The Contractor shall furnish a performance bond in an amount at least equal to 100% of the contract sum as security for the faithful performance of this contract. The performance bond and the payment bond may be in one or in separate instruments in accordance with local law.
- 4.2** Payment Bond. The Contractor shall provide payment bond in an amount not less than 100% of the contract price or in a penal sum not less than that prescribed by state, territorial or local law, as security for the payment of all persons performing labor on the project under this contract, furnishing materials in connection with this contract and all of Contractor's requirements as specified in the contract documents. The Payment Bond shall remain in effect until one year after the date when final payment becomes due.
- 4.3** Additional or Substitute Bond. If at any time the County for justifiable cause shall be or become dissatisfied with any surety or sureties, then upon the Performance or Payment Bonds, the Contractor shall within five days after notice from the County so to do, substitute an acceptable bond (or bonds) in such form and sum and signed by such other surety or sureties as may be satisfactory to the County. The premiums on such bond shall be paid by the Contractor. No further payments shall be deemed due nor shall be made until the new surety or sureties shall have furnished such an acceptable bond to the County.
- 4.4** Labor and Material Bond. The Contractor shall provide to the County Labor and Material Bond in an amount equal to the required payments by the Contractor to pay specified subcontractors, laborers, and materials suppliers associated with the project.

5. TERMS AND MEANINGS

Terms used in this Agreement that are defined in the Conditions of the Contract shall have the meanings designated in those Conditions.

- 5.1 Words and Phrases. Words, phrases, and abbreviations which have well-known technical or trade meanings used in the Contract Documents shall be used according to such recognized meanings. In the event of a conflict, the more stringent meaning shall govern.
- 5.2 Gender, Singular/Plural. Words of any gender used in this Agreement shall be held and construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular number shall be held to include the plural, unless the context otherwise requires.
- 5.3 Captions and Section Headings. The captions and section headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and in no way limit, define, or enlarge the terms, scope and conditions of this Agreement.
- 5.4 Interchangeable Terms. For purposes of all provisions within this Agreement and all attachments hereto, the terms "Agreement" and "Contract" shall have the same meaning and shall be interchangeable.

6. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW, CHOICE OF LAW

- 6.1 This Agreement shall be governed exclusively by the provisions hereof and by the laws of the State of New Mexico and applicable ordinances of Santa Fe County.
- 6.2 In performing its obligations hereunder, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations, including Santa Fe County Ordinance 2014-1 (Establishing a Living Wage).
- 6.3 Minimum Wage Rates. The Contractor, all subcontractors and sub-subcontractors warrants and agree to will comply with all applicable provisions of the New Mexico Public Works Minimum Wage Act as outlined in the Bid Documents. Wage rates are not applicable to projects costing less than \$60,000.
- 6.4 This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the substantive laws of the State of New Mexico, without regard to its choice of law rules. Contractor and the County agree that the exclusive forum for any litigation between them arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be federal and state district courts of New Mexico.
- 6.5 Pursuant to 13-1-191, NMSA 1978, reference is hereby made to the criminal laws of New Mexico, including §30-14-1, §30-24-2, and §30-41-1 through 3 NMSA 1978, which prohibit bribes, kickbacks, and gratuities, violation of which constitutes a felony. Further, the Procurement Code, 13-1-28 through 13-1-199 NMSA 1978, imposes civil and criminal penalties for its violation.
- 6.6 New Mexico Tort Claims Act. By entering into this Agreement, neither party shall be responsible for liability incurred as a result of the other party's acts or omissions in connection with this Agreement. Any liability incurred in connection with this Agreement is subject to the immunities and limitations of the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, Sections 41-4-1, et seq. NMSA 1978. The County and its "public employees" as defined in the New Mexico Tort Claims Act, do not waive sovereign immunity, do not waive any defense and

do not waive any limitation of liability pursuant to law. No provision in this Agreement modifies or waives any provision of the New Mexico Tort Claims Act.

- 6.7 Provision Required by Law Deemed Inserted. Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein and the contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein, and if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted, or is not correctly inserted, then upon the application of either party the contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM

- 7.1 This Agreement is effective upon the date of last signature by the County and the Contractor. This Agreement is not effective until: (1) approved by the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners and/or the County Manager or their designee; and (2) signed by all parties required to sign this Agreement.
- 7.2 This Contract shall achieve Substantial Completion in accordance with the Agreement between County and Contractor, Article 3 Effective Date, Time of Commencement and Substantial Completion, unless earlier terminated pursuant to Section 8 (Termination) or 9, (Appropriations and Authorizations) of these General Conditions.

8. TERMINATION

- 8.1 Termination of Agreement for Cause. Either party may terminate the Agreement based upon any material breach of this Agreement by the other party. The non-breaching party shall give the breaching party written notice of termination specifying the grounds for the termination. The termination shall be effective 30 days from the breaching party's receipt of the notice of termination, during which time the breaching party shall have the right to cure the breach. If, however, the breach cannot with due diligence be cured within 30 days, the breaching party shall have a reasonable time to cure the breach, provided that, within 30 days of its receipt of the written notice of termination, the breaching party began to cure the breach and advised the non-breaching party in writing that it intended to cure.
- 8.2 Termination for Convenience of the County. The County may, in its discretion, terminate this Agreement at any time for any reason by giving the Contractor written notice of termination. The notice shall specify the effective date of termination, which shall not be less than 15 days from the Contractor's receipt of the notice. The County shall pay the Contractor for acceptable work, determined in accordance with the specifications and standards set forth in this Agreement, performed before the effective date of termination but shall not be liable for any work performed after the effective date of termination.
- 8.3 Right of the County to Terminate Contract In the event that any of the provisions of this contract are violated by the Contractor, or by any of its subcontractors, the County may serve written notice upon the Contractor and the Surety of its intention to terminate the contract, such notices to contain the reasons for such intention to terminate the contract, and unless

within ten days after the serving of such notice upon the Contractor, such violation or delay shall cease and satisfactory arrangement of correction be made, the contract shall, upon the expiration of said ten days, cease and terminate. In the event of any such termination, the County shall immediately serve notice thereof upon the Surety and the Contractor and the Surety shall have the right to take over and perform the contract. Provided, however, that if the Surety does not commence performance thereof within ten days from the date of the mailing to such Surety of notice of termination, the County may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or by force account and at the expense of the Contractor and the Contractor and its Surety shall be liable to the County for any excess cost occasioned the County thereby, and in such event the County may take possession of and utilize in completing the work, such materials, appliances, and plant as may be on the site of the work and necessary therefore.

9. APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

This Agreement is contingent upon sufficient appropriations and authorizations being made for performance of this Agreement by the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners and/or, if state funds are involved, the New Mexico State Legislature. If sufficient appropriations and authorizations are not made in this or future fiscal years, this Agreement shall terminate upon written notice by the County to the Contractor. Such termination shall be without penalty to the County, and the County shall have no duty to reimburse the Contractor for expenditures made in the performance of this Agreement. The County is expressly not committed to expenditure of any funds until such time as they are programmed, budgeted, encumbered and approved for expenditure by the County. The County's decision as to whether sufficient appropriations and authorizations have been made for the fulfillment of this Agreement shall be final and not subject to challenge by the Contractor in any way or forum, including a lawsuit.

10. AMENDMENTS – CHANGE ORDERS

Contract Documents may be amended by a Change Order, hereto attached as Exhibit I to allow for additions, deletions, and revision as specified in Article 2 (The Work) of this Contract or to amend the terms and conditions by a Change Order.

11. INDEMNIFICATION

- 11.1** The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County and its elected officials, agents, and employees from any losses, liabilities, damages, demands, suits, causes of action, judgments, costs or expenses (including but not limited to court costs and attorneys' fees) resulting from or directly or indirectly arising out of the Contractor's performance or non-performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including but not limited to the Contractor's breach of any representation or warranty made herein.
- 11.2** The Contractor agrees that the County shall have the right to control and participate in the defense of any such demand, suit, or cause of action concerning matters that relate to the County and that such suit will not be settled without the County's consent, such consent can not to be unreasonably withheld. If a conflict exists between the interests of the County and

the Contractor in such demand, suit, or cause of action, the County may retain its own counsel to represent the County's interest.

- 11.3** The Contractor's obligations under this section shall not be limited by the provisions of any insurance policy the Contractor is required to maintain under this Agreement.

12. AGGRIEVEMENT PROCEDURE DURING CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

- 12.1** Any claims, disputes, or other matters in question between the Contractor and the County, except those which have been waived by the making or acceptance of final payment as provided in Paragraph 6.2 of this contract, shall be presented in the form of a written request accompanied by supporting data to the Architect/Engineer for formal decision, with a copy to the other party. Such formal decision of the Architect/Engineer is binding upon the Contractor and the Owner unless either or both notify each other and the Architect/Engineer in writing within 15 days of their receipt of the decision that they are unwilling to abide by the Architect's/Engineer's decision, are thereby aggrieved in connection with the decision, and are separately exercising such rights as either may have under the Contract Documents or by law and regulation. If the Architect/Engineer fails to provide a written decision or a reasonable schedule to issue a written decision within ten days after the County or the Contractor has presented its request, that party may consider itself aggrieved and may proceed to exercise its rights.

- 12.2** A settlement agreement signed by the County and the Contractor shall supersede and cancel any other dispute resolution proceedings regarding the same matter.

- 12.3** Unless work is stopped or payment withheld in accordance with the conditions of the Contract, or unless otherwise agreed in writing, the Contractor shall carry on the Work and maintain its progress during any dispute resolution proceedings, and the Owner shall continue to make payments to the Contractor in accordance with the Contract Documents.

13. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 13.1** Either County or Contractor may request mediation pursuant to the New Mexico Public Works Mediation Act, 13-4C-1 NMSA 1978, of any claim before such decision become final and binding. The request for mediation shall be submitted in writing to the other party. Timely submission of the request shall stay the effect of Paragraph 12.1.

- 13.2** County and Contractor shall participate in the mediation process in good faith. The process shall be completed within 60 days of filing of the request. The mediation shall be governed by the rules for mediation pursuant to the New Mexico Public Works Mediation Act.

- 13.3** If the dispute is not resolved by mediation, the dispute shall be resolved through litigation in the district court. The parties agree that the exclusive forum for such litigation shall be the State of New Mexico District Court for the First Judicial District at Santa Fe, New Mexico. Contractor irrevocably consents to the jurisdiction of said Court and agrees to accept service of a summons and complaint by mail or commercial courier service in accordance with Rule

1-004(E) (3) NMRA.

14. INSURANCE

- 14.1** The Contractor shall not commence work under this contract until they have obtained all the insurance required under this paragraph and such insurance has been approved by the County, nor shall the Contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work on its subcontract until the insurance required of the subcontractor has been so obtained and approved.
- 14.2** Proof of Carriage of Insurance. The Contractor shall furnish the County with certificates showing the type, amount, class of operations covered, effective dates and date of expiration of policies. Such certificates shall also contain substantially the following statement: "Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions".
- 14.3** General Conditions. The Contractor shall submit evidence of insurance as is required herein. Policies of insurance shall be written by companies authorized to write such insurance in New Mexico.
- 14.4** General Liability Insurance, Including Automobile. The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Agreement a comprehensive general liability and automobile insurance policy with liability limits in amounts not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limits of liability for bodily injury, including death, and property damage for any one occurrence. Said policies of insurance shall include coverage for all operations performed for the County by the Contractor; coverage for the use of all owned, non-owned, hired automobiles, vehicles and other equipment, both on and off work; and contractual liability coverage under which this Agreement is an insured contract. The Santa Fe County shall be a named additional insured on the policy.
- 14.5** Subcontractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance and Vehicle Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to procure and to maintain during the life of its subcontract, Subcontractor's Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance and Vehicle Liability Insurance of the type and in the amounts specified in 14.4 above.
- 14.6** Workers' Compensation Insurance. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act, 52-1-1 to 52-1-70 NMSA 1978. The Contractor shall procure and shall maintain during the life of this contract Workmen's Compensation Insurance as required by applicable State law for all of its employees to be engaged in work at the site of the project under this Contract and, in case of any such work sublet, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor similarly to provide Workmen's Compensation Insurance for all of the latter's employees to be engaged in such work unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the Contractor's Workmen's Compensation Insurance. In case any class of employees engaged in hazardous work on the project under this contract is not protected under the Workmen's Compensation law, the Contractor shall provide and shall

cause each subcontractor to provide adequate employer's liability insurance for the protection of such of its employees as are not otherwise protected.

- 14.7 Scope of Insurance and Special Hazards. The insurance require under subparagraphs 14.4 and 14.5 hereof shall provide adequate protection for the Contractor and his subcontractors, respectively, against damage claims which may arise from operations under this Contract, whether such operations be by the insured or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by him and, also against any of the special hazards which may be encountered in the performance of this contract.
- 14.8 Builder's Risk Insurance (Fire and Extended Coverage). Until the project is completed and accepted by the County, the County, or Contractor at the County's option is required to maintain Builder's Risk Insurance (fire and extended coverage) on a 100 percent completed value basis on the insurable portion of the project for the benefit of the County, the Contractor, subcontractors as their interests may appear. The Contractor shall not include any costs for Builder's Risk Insurance (fire and extended coverage) premiums during construction unless the Contractor is required to provide such insurance; however, this provision shall not release the Contractor from its obligation to complete, according to plans and specifications, the project covered by the contract, and the Contractor and his Surety shall be obligated to full performance of the Contractor's undertaking.
- 14.9 Increased Limits. If, during the life of this Agreement, the New Mexico State Legislature increases the maximum limits of liability under the Tort Claims Act (NMSA 1978, Sections 41-4-1 through 41-4-29), the Contractor shall increase the maximum limits of any insurance required herein.
- 14.10 Additional insured. Santa Fe County will be listed as an additional insured on all policies, and proof of coverage must be provided before work begins. Contractor shall maintain adequate insurance in at least the maximum amounts which the County could be liable under the New Mexico Tort Claims Act. It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to be in compliance with the law.

15. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

- 15.1 The Contractor and the Contractor's agents and employees are independent contractors performing professional and technical services for the County and are not employees of the County. The Contractor and the Contractor's agents and employees shall not accrue leave, retirement, insurance, bonding, use of County's vehicles, or any other benefits afforded to employees of the County as a result of this Agreement.
- 15.2 The Contractor shall not subcontract any portion of the services to be performed under this Agreement without prior written approval of the County.
- 15.3 The Contractor shall maintain detailed time records which indicate the date, time and nature of services rendered. These records shall be subject to inspection by the County and the State Auditor. The County shall have the right to audit billings both before and after payment.

Payment under this Agreement shall not foreclose the right of the County to recover excessive illegal payments.

16. CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION, MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, OR OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS

16.1 No officer or employee of the local jurisdiction or its designees or agents, no member of the governing body, and no other public official of the locality who exercises any function or responsibility with respect to this contract, during its tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in any contract or subcontract, or the proceeds thereof, for work to be performed. Further, the Contractor shall cause to be incorporated in all subcontracts the language set forth in this paragraph prohibiting conflict of interest.

16.2 No official of the County who is authorized in such capacity and on behalf of the County to negotiate, make, accept or approve, or to take part in negotiating, making accepting or approving any architectural, engineering, inspection, construction or material supply contract or any subcontract in connection with the construction of the project, shall become directly or indirectly interested personally in this contract or in any part hereof. No officer, employee, architect, attorney, engineer or inspector of or for the County who is authorized in such capacity and on behalf of the County to exercise any legislative, executive, supervisory or other similar functions in connection with the construction of the project, shall become directly or indirectly interested personally in this contract or in any part thereof, any material supply contract, subcontract, insurance contract, or any other contract pertaining to the project.

16.3 The Contractor warrants that the Contractor presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance or services required under this Agreement.

17. ASSIGNMENT

17.1 The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this Agreement or assign any claims for money due or to become due under this Agreement without the advance written approval of the County. Any attempted assignment or transfer without the County's advance written approval shall be null and void and without any legal effect.

18. SUBCONTRACTING

18.1 The Contractor shall not subcontract or delegate any portion of the services to be performed under this Agreement without the advance written approval of the County. Any attempted subcontracting or delegating without the County's advance written approval shall be null and void and without any legal effect.

18.2 Contractor shall provide to the County a listing of subcontractors within 10 days of the Contract award.

- 18.3 Contractor shall adhere to all provisions of the Subcontractor's Fair Practices Act 13-4-31 to 13-4-42, NMSA 1978.
- 18.4 Contractor shall provide to the County completed Non-Collusion Affidavit of Subcontractor form and Certification of Subcontractor Regarding Equal Employment Opportunity form for all subcontractors listed.
- 18.5 The Contractor shall not award any work to any subcontractor without prior written approval of the County, which approval will not be given until the Contractor submits to the County a written statement concerning the proposed award to the subcontractor, which statement shall contain such information as the County may require.
- 18.6 The Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the County for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as they are for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by them.
- 18.7 The Contractor shall cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts relative to the work to bind subcontractors to the Contractor by the terms of the General Conditions and other contract documents insofar as applicable to the work of subcontractors and to give the Contractor the same power as regards terminating any subcontract that the County may exercise over the Contractor under any provision of the contract documents.
- 18.8 Nothing contained in this contract shall create any contractual relation between any subcontractor and the County.
- 18.9 All Work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor or Supplier will be pursuant to an appropriate written agreement between Contractor and the Subcontractor or Supplier which specifically binds the Subcontractor or Supplier to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of County. Any contract between Contractor and a Subcontractor or Supplier shall provide that any remedy or claim for nonpayment of sums due or owing to Subcontractor or Supplier or services performed or materials provided is against Contractor and not County, subject to any remedy or rights Subcontractor or Supplier may have under the terms of the Contractor's Performance Bond and Section 13-4-19 NMSA 1978, (Little Miller Act).

19. PERSONNEL

- 19.1 All work performed under this Agreement shall be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision.
- 19.2 The Contractor represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all personnel required to discharge its obligations under this Agreement. Such personnel (i) shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationships with the County and (ii) shall be fully qualified and licensed or otherwise authorized or permitted under federal, state, and local law to perform such work.

20. NOTICES